

ICHABOD BEARDSLEY.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 148.]

MARCH 5, 1840.

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REPORT :

The Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Ichabod Beardsley, report :

That the petitioner proves his enlistment into a company of coast-guards, in the county of Fairfield, Connecticut, and designed to protect the coast lying on the Sound from the sudden and hostile incursions of the British, which proved so destructive to some of the principal towns in that county during the revolutionary war. From the testimony accompanying the petition, it appears the petitioner served about two years.

This corps was under the command of General Silliman, authorized and paid by the State of Connecticut ; which State was reimbursed by the United States the sums it had paid for these services, as is proved by the evidence adduced, thereby recognising the military services of these troops as necessary for the defence of the country.

But, as was said in a former report on this petition, "it is a part of the history of those times that these companies of coast-guards were not always engaged in actual service ;" and from the best light the committee have been able to obtain, they are of opinion that a service of eighteen months is all that the petitioner can justly claim. For that period they report a bill.

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[To accompany bill H. R. No. 1481.]

MARCH 5, 1946.

Mr. HAND, from the Committee on Revolutionary Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

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That the petitioner proves his enlistment into a company of coast guards, in the county of Fairfield, Connecticut, and designed to protect the coast lying on the Sound from the sudden and hostile incursions of the British, which proved so destructive to some of the principal towns in that county during the revolutionary war. From the testimony accompanying the petition, it appears the petitioner served about two years.

This corps was under the command of General Sullivan, authorized and paid by the State of Connecticut; which State was reimbursed by the United States the sum it had paid for these services, as is proved by the evidence adduced, thereby recognizing the military services of these troops as necessary for the defense of the country.

But as was said in a former report on this petition, "it is a part of the history of those times that these companies of coast guards were not always engaged in actual service," and from the best light the committee have been able to obtain, they are of opinion that a service of eighteen months is all that the petitioner can justly claim. For that period they

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